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Welcome to the Inaugural E-Newsletter for the Office of Health Information Technology

The Office of Health Information Technology (OHIT) is diligently working to make the vision of SHARE, the [State Health Alliance for Records Exchange](#), a reality for Arkansans. SHARE, Arkansas's interoperable health information exchange, will assist health care providers in sharing health information with patients and providers throughout the state. SHARE will help patients to take an active role in their personal health care, while allowing providers timely review of individual patient's medical records. The implementation and use of SHARE will be invaluable, as it has the potential to reduce medical errors, the duplication of tests and health care costs.

OHIT Privacy Policies

As a part of our ongoing efforts to ensure that patient safety and privacy are priorities, OHIT has released Privacy Policies for public comment. These policies are applicable to the access, use and disclosure of protected information by participants through SHARE. The policies can be found under the News & Events tab of the [OHIT Website](#) or by following this [link](#). The comment period on the policies are open until August 14, 2011 and must be made in writing to the Office of Health Information Technology.

SHARE Request for Proposal

The request for proposal on the technical architecture for SHARE has been released. A link to the bid proposal outlines the protocol and terms for submission. For more information and contact information for the Office of State Procurement buyer, click [here](#).

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